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PRESENT,

The Queen's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

AN Addreſs of the Houſe of Commons having been preſented to Her Majeſty, relating to the barbarous Uſage of John Bryan and Phillip Cholmley, two of the Conſtables within the Liberty and City of Weſtminſter, by ſome Perſons undiſcovered: Her Majeſty in Council taking the ſame into Conſideration is this day pleaſed to Order, as it is hereby ordered, That whoſoever ſhall diſcover to One of Her Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State the Offenders therein, or any of them, within three Months from the Date hereof, ſo as he or they be brought to Juſtice, ſhall have and receive the Reward of Fifty Pounds, to be paid by the Right Honourable the Lord High Treaſurer, upon the Conviction of ſuch Offender or Offenders; And Her Majeſty is likewiſe pleaſed to grant (beſides the Reward aforeſaid) Her moſt gracious Pardon to any Perſon concerned therein (except the principal Actors) that ſhall diſcover his Accomplices, or any of them, ſo as he or they be brought to Juſtice.

Edward Southwell.

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Great Grimesby*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by *Arthur Moore* and *Robert Viner*, Eſqs; their Repreſentatives in Parliament, being introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Viſcount *Bolingbroke*, one of Her Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State.

To the QUEEN's *moſt Excellent Majeſty,*

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Aldermen and Common-Council, and Burgeſſes of the Borough of *Great Grimesby* in the County of *Lincoln.*

Moſt Gracious Sovereign!

WHen the ſad Effects of a Long, Expenſive, and Unequal War, had brought Your Faithful Subjects to groan under the Burthen of Grievous and Unprecedented Taxes; the Trade of Your Kingdoms and Dominions almoſt to an utter Decay; Merchants, by frequent Loſſes, to be Ruined and Undone; the Manufacture, for want of Employment, reduced to the laſt Extremity of Want and Poverty; Your Ports empty of Shipping; and Your Royal Revenues leſſened to a degree not able ſufficiently to Support that Crown, to which ſo many Princes and States have, during Your whole Reign, owed their Protection and Support; What could better become a Queen, whom God has Endowed with ſo much Wiſdom, with ſo much Affection, Tenderneſs and Compaſſion to Her People, than to accept from the Enemy Propoſals for a General Peace?

The Terms of Peace, which Your Majeſty has been graciouſly pleaſed to Condeſcend to Communicate to Your Parliament, contain ſuch Advantages as are truly agreeable with the Intereſt of Your Kingdoms, and are the only means to reſtore Your People to Wealth and Proſperity, and Your Majeſty to Your full Power and Dominion.

The Regard Your Majeſty has had in the firſt Place for Your Own Kingdoms, will always remain Recorded in the Hearts of Your Subjects; and the Poſſeſſion of that important Place of Dunkirk, *as it gives a Security to our Commerce, ſo will it give new Life and Spirit to all Your People concerned in Trade.*

The little Care that was taken of the Intereſt of theſe Kingdoms in the Treaty of Reſwick, *and the Preliminaries of* 1709, *gave reaſon to imagine, That only the Barthen of the War related to Your Majeſty; but all the Advantages that were to ariſe by a Peace, were to redound to Your Allies; and therefore, that ſuch Allies might be Diſſatisfied upon the Diſappointment of their Unjuſt and Unreaſonable Expectations, is not perhaps to be wondered at: But that there ſhould be any of Your Majeſty's Natural-born Subjects ſo Vile, as to endeavour to raiſe Jealouſies and Diſſatisfactions betwixt Your Majeſty and Your People, by Blemiſhing the Meaſures Your Majeſty has taken, or by deſiring that the Advantages Your Majeſty has gained for Your Own Kingdoms, ſhould be Transferred to Foreign Nations, is to us Matter of the higheſt Admiration.*

The Method Your Majeſty hath entred into for ſettling the Balance of Power in Europe, *the aſſuring of the Proteſtant Succeſſion, as by Law eſtabliſhed, in the Houſe of* Hanover, *and endeavouring to procure for Your Allies all juſt and reaſonable Satisfaction, call upon us for the moſt grateful Acknowledgments which we ſhall ever be ready to make with our Lives and Fortunes: But the Advantages particularly Stipulated for Your own Kingdoms, give us the pleaſing Proſpect, that they will enable Your Majeſty, by the Force of Your Royal Navy, to defend the Rights and Liberties of Your People; and that Your Faithful Subjects may always Fight Your Battles, and the Publick Treaſure not be ſquandered away in Foreign Countries, or laid out upon Troops which are truly* Mercenary.

The following Addreſs from the County of *Worceſter*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by Sir *John Pakington*, Bart. and *Samuel Lytts*, Eſq; Knights of the Shire, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of *Shrewsbury*, Lord-Chamberlain of Her Majeſty's Houſhold, and Lord-Lieutenant of the ſaid County.

To the QUEEN's *moſt Excellent Majeſty.*

The humble and loyal Addreſs of the Nobility, Gentry, and Clergy of the County of *Worceſter.*

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

FRom a deep Senſe of the Ineſtimable Bleſſings we enjoy, not only in Your Majeſty's compaſſionate Regard, but great Condeſcenſion to us Your Subjects, we humbly beg leave to bring into Your Sacred Preſence our utmoſt Tribute of Thanks for Your Majeſty's acquainting Your Parliament with the welcome Hopes of an approaching Peace, ſuch a Peace as not only reſtores, but to the fartheſt Shore extends our Trade, guards our Religion, ſecures our Property, and ſtrengthens our Conſtitution, even to ſucceeding Ages, by the early Care Your Majeſty is pleaſed to take, that the Proteſtant Succeſſion in the Illuſtrious Houſe of Hanover *be not only aſſured, but in the ſtrongeſt Terms acknowledged.*

Happy, Madam, *for Your Self and People, is Your Choice of ſo wiſe and faithful a Miniſtry, who want not Courage, tho' delight not in War; who ſeek not their*

their own, but Your Majeſty's and Your Peoples Wealth, Safety and Honour, who are ready to ſecond all Your Royal Intentions, and conſider with You, how unequal a Burthen hath been laid, and how little Regard had to the Wants and Diſtreſſes of Your People. There is nothing wanting to compleat our Happineſs, but Your long Reign over us; which that Heaven in its Mercy to theſe Nations may beſtow upon us, ſhall be the conſtant Prayers of Your moſt Dutiful and Obedient Subjects.

The following humble Addreſs from the Borough of *Droitwych*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by *Edward Jeffreys* and *Edward Foley*, Eſq; their Repreſentatives in Parliament, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of *Shrewsbury*, Lord Chamberlain of Her Majeſty's Houſhold, their Recorder.

To th. QUEEN's Moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Bailiff and Burgeſſes of the Borough of *Droitwych*, in the County of *Worceſter.*

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majeſty's moſt Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, being ſenſible of the great Difficulties with which Your Majeſty has ſtruggled in the Negotiation of a General Peace, beg leave to expreſs our Gratitude for Your earneſt Endeavours to accompliſh it, on ſuch Terms as render the Proteſtant Succeſſion ſecure, eſtabliſh a ſafe Barrier for Your Allies, and fix a real Balance of Power in Europe.

May Your Reign be ever attended with the Bleſſings of Peace, may Your People (eaſed of an unequal Burthen of the War, and freed from th Danger of a ruined Conſtitution at Home) always retain a dutiful Senſe of Your great Goodneſs to them.

The following Addreſs from the Corporation of *Eveſham* in the County of *Worceſter*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by *Thomas Savage*, Eſq; being introduced by his Grace the Duke of *Shrewsbury*, Lord Chamberlain of Her Majeſty's Houſhold, and Lord-Lieutenant of the ſaid County.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of Your Majeſty's Loyal Corporation of *Eveſham*, in the County of *Worceſter.*

Moſt Gracious Sovereign!

WE with all Humility, beg leave to approach Your Majeſty with our unfeigned Thanks for Your great condeſcenſion in communicating to Your Parliament, the Terms on which a General Peace may be obtained: We heartily concur in what both Houſes have declared, that the Propoſals are Advantageous and Glorious for Your Kingdoms, Strengthening the Proteſtant Succeſſion in the Houſe of Hanover, *and Anſwer fully whatever Your Majeſty was by Treaties obliged to procure for Your Allies.*

None of Your moſt Loyal Subjects are more deeply affected than our Selves, at the Treatment Your pious Endeavours have received from ſome ill tempered and turbulent Spirits at Home, and others elſewhere, who have too ſoon forgot the great Debt of Gratitude they owe to Your Majeſty; but we doubt not but Your Prudence, ſeconded by Your Wiſe and Able Miniſtry, will ſoon bring this great and neceſſary Work to a happy Concluſion; and we aſſure Your Majeſty, that we will be ready (as far as in us lies) to maintain Your juſt Prerogative, and defend Your Majeſty's Perſon againſt all Enemies to Peace, either at Home or Abroad, and wiſh nothing ſo much as Your Majeſty's long Reign over us, which Heaven in Mercy grant, is the conſtant Prayer of Your Majeſty's moſt Dutiful and Obedient Subjects.

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Calne*, in the County of *Wilts*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by *Walter Hungerford*, Eſq, one of Her Majeſty's Commiſſioners of Exciſe for Appeals, being introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord *Manſell*, Comptroller of Her Majeſty's Houſhold.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Stewards, Burgeſſes, Gentlemen and others the Inhabitants of the antient Borough of *Calne*, in the County of *Wilts.*

Moſt Gracious Sovereign!

WE Your Majeſty's moſt Dutiful and Loyal Subjects the Stewards, Burgeſſes, Gentlemen and others the Inhabitants of Your antient Borough of Calne, *do with the utmoſt Joy, embrace every Occaſion whereby we may expreſs our Zeal for Your Majeſty's Glory, and our Reverence to Your Sacred Perſon: But never were more loudly called on to perform this our Duty, than at this Time, when Your Majeſty ſo far Condeſcends to put a Period to a Succeſsful War, and give Your People a happy View of an approaching ſafe and honourable Peace. May therefore every Heart be filled with true Loyalty to Your Perſon, and every Mouth with Your Praiſe; and tho' Your victorious Arms abroad have advanced Your Glory above all Temporal Princes; May Your conſummate Wiſdom in the tranſacting and finiſhing this high and religious Work, prove the means of Excelling even Your own Self, by ſupporting the Proteſtant Intereſt of* Europe, *and procuring great Felicity to a People who are only ambitious of being Subjects to ſuch a Queen.*

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Chriſt-Church*, in the County of *Southampton*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by *Peter Mews* and *William Ettricke*, Eſquires, their Repreſentatives in Parliament, accompanied by *William Forbes*, Eſq; Major *White* and *Charles Hackman*, Gent. &c. Burgeſſes of the ſaid Borough, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of *Beaufort*, Lord Lieutenant of the ſaid County, and Her Majeſty was pleaſed to confer the Honour of Knighthood on the ſaid *Peter Mews.*

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Burgeſſes and Inhabitants of the Borough of *Chriſt-Church* in the County of *Southampton.*

Madam,

AS there was nothing wanting to compleat the Glory of Your Majeſty's Reign, but a happy Peace, after a victorious War, ſo has Your Majeſty's Wiſdom taken the moſt effectual Care to procure a Peace highly advantageous to Your own Subjects, and honourable to all Your Allies: It is therefore upon this Account, that You are juſtly ſtiled the Parent of Your People, when You ſubmit the Conqueſts and Ambition of Your Arms to the Welfare and Proſperity of Your Kingdoms: And it is upon this Account that we preſume to join with Your other faithful Subjects in our moſt ſincere profeſſions of Gratitude and Duty.

Your Majeſty's Care and Piety has been conſpicuous in all Parts of Your Government; there is no Degree, no Order of Men that has not felt the happy Influences or Effects of it; but not content with a Temporary Zeal for the Good of Your People, You labour to entail Bleſſings upon their Poſterity, and to make them happy after You ſhall ceaſe to govern them: The Eſtabliſhment of the Proteſtant Succeſſion in the moſt Illuſtrious Houſe of Hanover, *is an eminent Inſtance of this tender Concern for Your Kingdoms, and the Enlargement of their Commerce by the Terms of Peace, which Your Majeſty has been graciouſly pleaſed to communicate, is a demonſtration of the extenſiveneſs of Your Bounty, as well as the greatneſs of Your Condeſcention.*

May Your Majeſty meet with ſuitable Returns of Gratitude and Affection from all Princes and States that have the Honour of Your Alliance: May Your own Subjects be ſo ſenſible of the Good You intend them by the Bleſſings of Peace, that there may be no Contention but in their Expreſſions of Loyalty,

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and Submiſſion to Your Government; and may the Difficulties Your Majeſty encounters in this great Undertaking be recompenſed by the length of Your auſpicious Reign, and the benefits of a glorious Peace.

Theſe are the Prayers of our United Body; who, tho' not equal to many others in their Trade, Manufactures, or Riches, yet hope to be Inferiour to None in conformity to Your Royal Pleaſure, and the Proofs of an unſhaken Loyalty.

The following Addreſs from the Borough of *Pontefract*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by Sir *Arthur Key*, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of *Leeds*.

To the QUEEN's moſt Excellent Majeſty.

The humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Burgeſſes and Inhabitants of Your Majeſty's antient Town and Borough of *Pontefract*, in the County of *York*.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majeſty's faithful and loyal Subjects do moſt humbly beg leave to return our moſt grateful Acknowledgements for Your Majeſty's great Care and Endeavours to gain for us, and the reſt of Your Subjects, a good Peace, notwithſtanding the reſtleſs Attempts of Your Enemies, and the artful Contrivances of thoſe who envy our Happineſs to hinder ſo great and good a Work.

The Proſpect of the many Beneſits and Advantages Your Kingdoms will enjoy by ſuch a Peace, as Your Majeſty has been pleaſed to communicate to both Houſes of Parliament, and Your Majeſty being at the Head of that Negotiation, gives us the greateſt Satisfaction and Content imaginable.

We entirely conſide in Your Majeſty's Care for the Welfare and Proſperity of all Your Subjects, which doth encourage us to deſire You to proceed and compleat our Joy, by obtaining for us a ſpeedy Peace upon Terms ſo Honourable and Advantageous to the Nation.

May Almighty God grant You a long and happy Reign, to reap the Fruits of Peace, and ſtill Crown all Your Majeſty's Undertakings with Succeſs, that You may diſappoint and defeat the vile Practices of deſigning Men, and perfect Your Majeſty's great Work, of making us a flouriſhing and happy People.

Warſaw, July 6. N. S. General Baur having received Intelligence that Prince Wieſnowieski was marching with a detachment of Lithuanians to join the Forces of Monſieur Grudzinski, went immediately to intercept his Paſſage; which he has accompliſhed, and encloſed him in a Wood near Unienow, by which means it's thought that Prince will be forc'd to ſurrender himſelf Priſoner of War. The great Marſhal has given an Audience at Dorowitz to a Turkiſh Aga, who came to deſire a free Paſſage for the King of Sweden, with a ſufficient Guard through Poland: But that General told him he muſt wait for King Auguſtus's arrival at Warſaw, before he could have a poſitive Anſwer. His Majeſty has ordered circular Letters to be ſent throughout the Kingdom, promiſing a Pardon to all the Malecontents who will return to their Obedience within a Term preſcribed; and it's ſaid the Palatin of Kiovia has accordingly made his ſubmiſſion, and obtained his Pardon from the King. We have advice from Moſcow, that on the 15th of the laſt Month, there had happened ſo great a Fire, that in fifteen Hours time it burnt down a third part of the City, wherein above five thouſand Houſes, beſides ſeveral Palaces, were conſumed.

Berlin, July 12. N. S. The Court returned Yeſterday from Charlottenburg; and this being the King's Birth-day, wherein he entred on his 56th Year, it was kept with great Magnificence, the Court laying aſide their Mourning to appear with more Splendor. The Queen has performed the Ceremony of laying the firſt Stone in the Foundation, of a new Church that is buliding in this City; and it is to be called after her Majeſty's Name, Sophia. To Morrow the King will hold a Chapter of the Order of the black Eagle, where three new Knights are to be created.

Kolding, July 17. N. S. On the Fourteenth the King of Denmark paſs'd near this Place in his way to Holſtein, ſo that now the Campaign will ſoon be opened.

From the Camp at Querenain, July 17. *N. S.* The Earl of Albemarle is ſtill poſted at Denain with a conſiderable Body of Troops, in order to preſerve our Communication with Marchiennes, without which our Camp before Landrecy could not well be ſupplied with the neceſſary Proviſions. It is apprehended that his Lordſhip, by this ſituation, may be a little too much expoſed; but the Right of our Army being ſo near him, he may eaſily be ſuccoured, if he is not ſurprized by a very ſudden Attempt. It was ſaid that the Duke of Ormond, with the Britiſh Forces, intended to have marched to Orchies, Haut Bourdin, and Pont Rouge: But Orders being given not to let him come into any Place in our Poſſeſſion, it is probable his Grace will go by Lens, Merville, or Eſterre. We have left Three hundred Men in the Priory of Haſpre, with Orders to defend that Paſs againſt the Troops of any Nation whatſoever, who ſhall endeavour to take that Route without leave from Prince Eugene, or the Deputies of the States.

Whitehall, July 18. Her Majeſty has been graciouſly pleaſed to appoint the Right Honourable the Lord Manſell, to be One of the Tellers of Her Majeſty's Exchequer.

A Commiſſion is paſſing the Seals to empower Conyers Darcy and George Fielding, Eſquires, to execute the Office of Maſter of the Horſe to Her Majeſty.

The Commiſſioners for managing Her Majeſty's Stamp Duties have thought fit to give Notice, That by a Clauſe in the Act of Parliament for laying Additional Duties on Hides, Skins, &c. Fol. 414. all Maſters and Miſtreſſes who have formerly omitted to pay Her Majeſty's Duties on Monies given, paid or contracted for with Apprentices within the reſpective times limited by the ſeveral Acts of Parliament touching thoſe Duties, are to pay the ſame before the 29th of September, 1712. And that in one of thoſe Acts there is a Penalty of 50 l. (one half to the Informer) with Coſts of Suit, on every Maſter and Miſtreſs who ſhall not pay the ſaid Duties within the reſpective times limited for that Purpoſe. And that by the firſt Act the Clerk or Apprentice is made incapable of exerciſing the intended Trade or Employment, or of being Free of any City, Corporation or Company, if the Duties be not paid in due time, and the Indentures and Contracts are alſo in ſuch Caſe Void: Times limited by the firſt Act, for Payment of thoſe Duties, are within one Month after the Dates of ſuch Indentures or Contracts, as are executed within the Limits of the Bills of Mortality, and within two Months after the Dates of ſuch Indentures or Contracts as are exempted elſewhere. Vide Act for Duties on Candles, and on Monies given with Clerks and Apprentices, Fol. 175, &c.

Whereas a Letter dated the 16th Inſtant, ſigned J. P. and directed to the Right Honourable the Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty has been received; this is to give Notice to the Perſon who ſent the ſaid Letter, that if he will attend, and make out what he complains of, he will have all fitting Encouragement and Protection.

Whereas a Letter dated the 12th of this Inſtant July, ſign'd P. S. and directed to the Right Honourable the Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty has been received; this is to give notice to the Perſon who ſent the ſaid Letter, that if he will attend, and give their Lordſhips an Account of what he has to inform, he will have all fitting Encouragement and Protection.

Her